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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136

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SIR:

It is hereby requested that a <u>five</u> month extension of time be granted to <u>November 9, 2000</u> for:	
	filing a response to the Office Action dated
	responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated
	filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
	responding to the Notice to File Missing Requirements dated May 9, 2000.
	filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final Office Action, duehas been filed.
	filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on

The required fee of \$1,890.00 is enclosed herewith by check and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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